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Articles of Association

The Commercial Club, organized December 27, 1877, and The Merchants Club of Chicago, organized December 11, 1896, more efficiently to advance the public welfare and the commercial interests of Chicago by co-operative effort, social intercourse, and a free interchange of views, were united February 11, 1907, under the name of The Commercial Club of Chicago.

Its Articles of Association are as follows:

ARTICLE I.

MEMBERS.

1. The membership shall be of four classes: Active, Associate, Non-resident, and Retired.

2. Active Members are responsible for the varied undertakings of the Club and will accept, within reasonable limitations, the assignment of work by the Executive Committee to advance the Club's interests. They shall be not more than fifty-five years old at the time of their election; and their number shall not exceed ninety men, except that during the Club years 1910, 1911, and 1912, new members may be elected equal in number to one-half of the vacancies occurring during such Club years;

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the Club year being from the installation of officers at the annual meeting to the installation of their successors.

3. An Associate Member shall have the same rights and duties as an Active Member, except that he shall not be expected to serve as an officer or required to do active work for the Club save under special circumstances, and that he shall not be fined for absence from Club meetings. Any Active Member, after ten years' membership, may, at his written request and by the unanimous vote of the Executive Committee, become an Associate Member.

4. Any Active or Associate Member who has permanently removed from Chicago may, upon application to the Executive Committee, and with its approval, become a Non-resident Member.

5. Non-resident and Retired Members shall have the privilege of attending all meetings of the Club, but shall not be entitled to vote.

6. The present Retired Membership shall not be increased except by transfer, upon their request, of charter members of The Commercial Club.

7. *Election of Active Members.* The secretary shall notify the members whenever a vacancy in the Active Membership occurs. Thereupon, any member may, by a written recommendation to the Executive Committee, nominate a person for membership. If the Executive Committee unanimously approve such a nomination, the secretary shall state, in the regular notice, that such candidate will be voted upon at the next succeeding meeting; and a ballot bearing the candidate's name, with the

words "Accepted" and "Postponed" printed thereafter, shall be sent out with such notice. The members should promptly communicate, to some member of the Executive Committee, such knowledge as they have touching the fitness or unfitness of the nominee. This information shall be held in the strictest confidence. At the next meeting of the Club, if the Executive Committee still unanimously approve the nominee, secret vote shall be had by marking the printed ballot. Three ballots, marked "Postponed," shall defer the admission of such nominee. Only one candidate at a time shall be approved by the Executive Committee or submitted for election.

8. In the approval of candidates regard shall be had, so far as practicable, to the branches of business in which they are engaged, so that the various commercial interests of the city shall be fairly represented in the membership.

9. Each Active and Associate Member shall pay, by November 1st, annual dues of seventy-five dollars, which shall cover the cost of dinner at regular meetings. Non-resident and Retired Members shall not be required to pay dues, but only an assessment for each dinner which they attend or which they notify the Secretary that they will attend.

The Executive Committee may drop from the roll any member who, after due notification of dues, fails to pay them within thirty days.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

1. The Officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. An Executive Committee of ten members shall have general control of the affairs of the Club. It shall consist of the four officers, the President of the preceding year, the Chairman of the Reception Committee, and four other members.

2. At the April meeting the Officers and the Reception Committee shall be elected to serve for one year, and two of the four elective members of the Executive Committee shall be elected to serve for two years, and until their respective successors are elected and qualify.

3. The President—or, in his absence, the Vice-President—shall preside at all meetings of the Club and of the Executive Committee.

4. The Secretary shall make and preserve complete records of all meetings of the Club and of the Executive Committee, keep all its books and papers, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Club or by the Executive Committee. He shall also prepare the Year-Book, in which shall be printed the list of officers, committees and meetings since April, 1907. In all Club publications the names of The Commercial Club and The Merchants Club should appear, with the dates of their organizations and the date of their union.

5. The Treasurer shall receive and keep the funds of the Club, and shall disburse the same subject to the super-

vision of the Executive Committee, and shall keep an accurate record thereof. He shall make a full financial report at the annual April meeting. His books shall be open at all times to the inspection of the Executive Committee and of an Examiner, whom the Executive Committee should appoint before the April meeting, to audit the same.

6. The Executive Committee shall have power, by the unanimous vote of the entire Committee, to discipline or expel any Club member whenever in its judgment such action is advisable.

7. A Reception Committee, consisting of a Chairman (who shall be *ex officio* a member of the Executive Committee) and four members, shall be elected annually at the April meeting. Its duties shall be to assist in the entertainment of the Club's guests and its new members, and to act in a general way as the hosts of the Club, subject to the direction of the Executive Committee.

8. The President, with the advice and approval of the Executive Committee, shall select a Nominating Committee of five members and announce their names at the regular March meeting. Such committee shall recommend a list of candidates for the various offices and elective committees, and file the same with the Secretary at least twenty days before the April meeting. The Secretary shall mail such list to each member at least two weeks before the April meeting for the annual election.

ARTICLE III.

MEETINGS.

1. The Club shall hold regular monthly meetings on the second Saturday in each month, beginning in November and ending in April. The Executive Committee shall select place of each meeting, and may, in its discretion, change the date of any meeting or omit any meeting, or call special meetings at any time.

2. The Secretary shall mail to each member notice of each meeting at least five days before its date. The notice shall state specifically if any nominee for membership is to be voted upon at such meeting and any other business that is to be transacted. At any regular or special meeting at which thirty Active Members are present any business of the Club may be transacted.

3. The regular meetings of the Club shall take precedence of all social engagements. Written notice of inability to attend a regular meeting, with the reason therefor, shall be sent to the Secretary so as to reach him by the morning of the day of such regular meeting. Any member failing to give such notice, or whose reason for non-attendance is unsatisfactory to the Executive Committee, shall be fined ten dollars. Any Active Member absenting himself from three consecutive regular meetings of the Club without sending to the Secretary an explanation satisfactory to the Executive Committee shall be considered as having withdrawn from membership, and his name shall be stricken from the rolls by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV.

GUESTS.

With the permission of the Executive Committee, expressed in the notice of the meeting, any member may invite the number of guests specified in the notice; but no person shall be a guest of the same member at more than two dinners during the Club year.

ARTICLE V.

AMENDMENTS.

These articles may be altered or amended at any meeting by a majority vote of the Active and Associate Members present, provided that notice of each proposed amendment was given at a prior meeting and was stated in the notice of the meeting at which the amendment is to be voted upon.

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Edward A. Turner

COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF CONSTITUTION[2]

John J. Glessner, Chairman

Edgar A. Bancroft
Rollin A. Keyes

[1] Discharged May 16, 1910.

[2] Discharged January 26, 1911.

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[1] Resigned December 30, 1909.
[2] To fill unexpired term.

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[1] Resigned upon formation of Chicago Plan Commission.

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[1] Appointed February 3, 1910.

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GEORGE E. ADAMS, President

APRIL 6.—One Hundred and Ninety-sixth Regular Meeting.
The City and the State.

RT. HONORABLE JAMES BRYCE, BRITISH AMBASSADOR.

APRIL 27.—One Hundred and Ninety-seventh Regular and Twenty-ninth Annual Meeting.
CLOSED MEETING
Plan of Chicago.
General Discussion.

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JOHN V. FARWELL, JR., President

MAY 31.—Special Meeting.
Formal Dinner in honor of General Baron Kuroki.

MAJOR-GENERAL A. W. GREELEY, U. S. A., COMMANDER OF THE NORTHERN DIVISION; HONORABLE GEORGE E. ADAMS.

NOVEMBER 9.—One Hundred and Ninety-eighth Regular Meeting.
The Effect of Industrial Education upon the German Empire.

DR. K. G. RUDOLPH LEONHARD, JR., UNIVERSITY OF BRESLAU.

Subjects of Meetings

The Effect of Industrial Education upon Labor.

JOHN GOLDEN, PRESIDENT UNITED TEXTILE WORKERS OF AMERICA.

Possibilities of Industrial Education in America.

HENRY S. PRITCHETT, PRESIDENT CARNEGIE FOUNDATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHING.

DECEMBER 14.—One Hundred and Ninety-ninth Regular Meeting.
Public Domain.—Department of the Interior.

HONORABLE ETHAN A. HITCHCOCK, EX-SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

Forestry, Irrigation, and Public Lands.

GEORGE H. MAXWELL, EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN, THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ASSOCIATION.

JANUARY 11.—Two Hundredth Regular Meeting.
The Principles of Infection and the Tuberculosis Problem.

DR. L. HEKTOEN, DIRECTOR OF THE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES; DR. HENRY BAIRD FAVILL; DR. FRANK BILLINGS; DR. WILLIAM A. EVANS, COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH OF CHICAGO.

JANUARY 25.—Two Hundred and First Regular Meeting.
CLOSED MEETING
Plan of Chicago.
General Discussion.

MARCH 14.—Two Hundred and Second Regular Meeting.
The Government and Business.

WOODROW WILSON, LL. D., PRESIDENT OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY.

APRIL 4.—Two Hundred and Third Regular Meeting.
Formal Dinner in honor of the Honorable William H. Taft, Secretary of War.

MAY 2.—Two Hundred and Fourth Regular, and Thirtieth Annual Meeting.
CLOSED MEETING.

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ROLLIN A. KEYES, President

NOVEMBER 3.—Special Meeting.
Informal Dinner to receive returns of election.

NOVEMBER 14.—Two Hundred and Fifth Regular Meeting.
The Public Schools of our Large Cities; their Administration and Curriculum.

JOHN H. FINLEY, LL. D., PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

DECEMBER 12.—Two Hundred and Sixth Regular Meeting.
The Psychologist and the Practical Life.

PROFESSOR HUGO MÜNSTERBERG OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

JANUARY 9.—Two Hundred and Seventh Regular Meeting.
Parole, Probation and Indeterminate Sentence.

MAJOR R. W. CLAUGHRY OF FT. LEAVENWORTH.
JUDGE ALBERT C. BARNES OF CHICAGO.
JUDGE JULIAN W. MACK OF CHICAGO.
JUDGE CHARLES S. CUTTING OF CHICAGO.

FEBRUARY 13.—Two Hundred and Eighth Regular Meeting.
The People and the Courts.

MR. EDGAR A. BANCROFT.

APRIL 10.—Two Hundred and Ninth Regular, and Thirty-first Annual Meeting.

CLOSED MEETING.

Club guests of Mr. John J. Glessner at his home, 1800 Prairie Avenue.

Subjects of Meetings

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THEODORE W. ROBINSON, President

JUNE 5.—Special Meeting.
Formal Dinner in honor of The Honorable Franklin MacVeagh, Secretary of the Treasury, and The Honorable Jacob M. Dickinson, Secretary of War.

SEPTEMBER 16.—Special Meeting.
Luncheon in honor of William Howard Taft, President of the United States.

NOVEMBER 6.—Two Hundred and Tenth Regular Meeting.
The Work of the National Monetary Commission.

SENATOR NELSON W. ALDRICH.

DECEMBER.—Omitted.

JANUARY 11.—Two Hundred and Eleventh Regular Meeting.
The Presentation of the Plan of Chicago.

MR. CHARLES D. NORTON.
MR. CHARLES H. WACKER.
ALDERMAN BERNARD W. SNOW.

FEBRUARY 19.—Two Hundred and Twelfth Regular Meeting.
Employers' Liability and Industrial Insurance.

THE HONORABLE CHARLES NAGEL, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.
GEORGE M. GILLETTE. MEMBER OF MINNESOTA EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION.

MARCH 26.—Two Hundred and Thirteenth Regular Meeting.

A Federal Immigration Station in Chicago.

SENATOR WILLIAM P. DILLINGHAM, CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL IMMIGRATION COMMISSION.

JUDGE JULIAN W. MACK, PRESIDENT OF THE LEAGUE FOR THE PROTECTION OF IMMIGRANTS.

APRIL 9.—Two Hundred and Fourteenth Regular and Thirty-second Annual Meeting.

CLOSED MEETING.

Subjects of Meetings

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DAVID R. FORGAN, President

JUNE 4.—Special Meeting.
Informal Dinner in Honor of The Commercial Club of Cincinnati.

NOVEMBER 12.—Two Hundred and Fifteenth Regular Meeting.
CLOSED MEETING: The Commercial Club, Its Past, Present and Future.

MR. JOHN J. GLESSNER.
MR. FRANK H. JONES.
MR. ALFRED L. BAKER.

DECEMBER 10.—Two Hundred and Sixteenth Regular Meeting.
Government of Cities by Commission.

JOHN MACVICAR, MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION GOVERNMENT OF THE CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA.
H. BALDWIN RICE, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS.
WALTER H. WILSON, COMPTROLLER OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO.

JANUARY 26.—Two Hundred and Seventeenth Regular Meeting.
Increasing Cost of Armaments and Rising Cost of Living.

HONORABLE W. BOURKE COCKRAN, OF NEW YORK CITY.

FEBRUARY 25.—Two Hundred and Eighteenth Regular Meeting.
The Aldrich Plan for Banking Legislation.

FRANK A. VANDERLIP, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK.

MARCH.—Omitted.

APRIL 8.—Two Hundred and Nineteenth Regular and Thirty-third Annual Meeting.
CLOSED MEETING.

Note

(From Year Book of 1909)

The list of meetings and subjects gives only an inadequate idea of the activities of The Commercial Club and The Merchants Club, but indicates that they have extended over municipal, state and national affairs, and have included governmental, commercial and educational, moral, charitable and esthetic subjects.

For many years, The Commercial Club confined its efforts to discussions and suggestions, with a distinct policy not to take up and, as a Club, conduct any particular work, and only occasionally has it departed from this policy.

Of the two hundred and eighty-three meetings that have been held by the two Clubs, it is within bounds to say that each one has helped to forward some good end, and many of them have been the initial and moving causes of important accomplishments. It would be invidious and almost impossible to estimate the relative value of these meetings or say which was the most important, bearing in mind that, in any great permanent work, the prime necessity is for forming public opinion before there can be any accomplishment.

Perhaps the meetings from which The Commercial Club's influence was most directly and speedily felt, were those that resulted in founding the Chicago Manual Training School; in presenting to the United States

Government the site for Fort Sheridan, and, to the State, the site for the Second Regiment Armory; in the prosecution and punishment of certain county and municipal officials; in the original efforts for legislation for the Drainage Canal; in its early advocacy and support of the World's Columbian Exposition; in raising endowment funds for the Illinois Manual Training School at Glenwood and the St. Charles School for Boys; also in presenting to the city a site for public playgrounds at Chicago Avenue and Lincoln Street. The meetings from which The Merchants Club's influence was most directly felt, were those that resulted in establishing the First State Pawners' Society; in the inquiry into the City's accounting methods that resulted in new and improved systems; and most of all, in its earnest efforts to amend the general school law in order to provide improvements in the system of public education; and in the inception and development of the Chicago Plan, which work was later continued by the united Commercial Club and Merchants Club. The joint effort of both Clubs resulted in presenting to the United States Government a site for the Naval Training School at Lake Bluff, and in establishing a street cleaning bureau for the city.

These and other philanthropic and public spirited works of these two Clubs, now merged into one, have involved the collection and disbursement of more than a million of dollars, and have been potent in many reforms and improvements.

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Anson Stager	March, 1885
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